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Dear Friend:

The 2003 legislative session has begun, which means the legislature will be working over the next few months to fulfill our constitutional duty of preparing a biennial budget. This will be no small task, as 33 states have reported revenue collections below forecasted levels through last October, and Indiana is no exception.

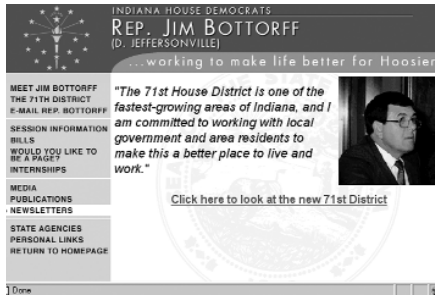
Nevertheless, I hope we can provide reasonable solutions to our budget problems, and my goal is that those solutions will allow Indiana residents an opportunity to improve our collective quality of life in this increasingly challenging time.

As the newly appointed chairman of the Environmental Affairs committee, I anticipate debate on issues dealing with clean air and clean water, as well as the vehicle emissions testing program in Clark, Floyd, Lake and Porter counties. I have asked you for your input in the past and hope you will continue to keep in touch with me on this issue, as it will be invaluable to me as I help determine the outcome of environmental legislation this session.

As always, thank you for the opportunity to represent the 71st district, and please let me know if there is anything that I can do for you or your family. Best wishes for the new year.

Sincerely,

# Resources Available Online



## Stay in touch

Would you like to receive e-mail updates with news from the Statehouse? If so, I would be happy to send you messages from time to time about what is going on in the House of Representatives.

To receive updates, e-mail my office at [H71@in.gov](mailto:H71@in.gov) or call 1-800-382-9842 and ask to have your name added to the list.

It's a simple way to stay informed about the issues that impact our state and our district.



## 2003 Page Program

Serving as a page during the 2003 session allows any child age 13 or older the opportunity to gain a firsthand glimpse of how the legislative system works. Students will be excused from school on the day they are serving as a page and will spend the entire day at the Statehouse.

Interested students can apply by calling my office or visiting the website listed below. Please remember that we are accepting pages between early January and mid-April, and places fill up fast, so apply as soon as possible!

<http://www.in.gov/H71>

## Publications Available from Representative Bottorff

The following publications may be requested free of charge from my office by calling 1-800-382-9842 or visiting my website at [www.in.gov/H71](http://www.in.gov/H71).

**Guide to State Agencies** This booklet details various agencies within Indiana state government, listing phone numbers, functions and areas of responsibility for each.

**Higher Education** A 24-page publication for those interested in pursuing a higher education degree, detailing many Indiana colleges and universities as well as occupational and vocational schools.

**Hoosier Fun and Facts** Designed for elementary school-aged children, this information and activity booklet teaches students about their state through a combination of text, puzzles and other educational activities.

**Relax . . .** Written for senior citizens, this informational booklet discusses a variety of issues, from taxes to health problems to leisure activities.



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